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Chapter __. Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The Statistical Commission held its thirty-first session at United Nations Headquarters from 29 February to 3 March 2000. The Commission held __ meetings (498th to ____).

2. The session was opened by the temporary Chairman, Guest Charumbira (Botswana).

B. Attendance

4. The session was attended by 24 States members of the Commission. Observers for other States Members of the United Nations and a non-member State, representatives of organizations of the United Nations system and observers for intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations also attended. A list of participants is given in annex __ to the present report.

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C. Election of officers

5. At its 498th meeting, on 29 February, the Commission elected the following officers, by acclamation:

Chairman:

Guest **Charumbira** (Botswana)

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Vice-Chairmen:

Fitz-Albert **Russell** (Jamaica)

Victor **Dinculescu** (Romania)

Katherine **Wallman** (United States of America)

Rapporteur:

Masahiro **Horie** (Japan)

D. Agenda and organization of work

6. At the 498th meeting on 29 February, the Commission adopted the provisional agenda contained in document E/CN.3/2000/1, as orally amended, as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Economic statistics:
   (a) National accounts;
   (b) International trade statistics;
   (c) Service statistics;
   (d) Finance statistics;
   (e) International Comparison Programme;
   (f) Special Data Dissemination Standard and General Data Dissemination System of the International Monetary Fund, including data quality;
   (g) Other economic statistics (city groups on economic statistics and Intersecretariat Working Group on Price Statistics).
4. Tourism satellite account.
5. Environment statistics.
6. Demographic, social and migration statistics:
   (a) Gender issues in measurement of paid and unpaid work;
   (b) Social statistics;
   (c) Statistics of HIV/AIDS.
7. Coordination of development indicators in the context of follow-up to United Nations conferences and summits, including capacity-building.
8. International economic and social classifications.
9. Revised Handbook of Statistical Organization.
10. Review of other major developments in the work programme of the United Nations Statistics Division.
11. Coordination and integration of international statistical programmes.

12. Follow-up to the agreed conclusions of the Economic and Social Council's high-level and coordination segments, and to its resolutions.

13. Programme questions and related matters.

14. The United Nations Development Programme *Human Development Report*.

15. Provisional agenda and dates for the thirty-second session of the Commission.

16. Report of the Commission on its thirty-first session.

7. At the same meeting, the Commission approved the organization of the work of the session, as orally revised (E/CN.3/2000/L.1).

E. Documentation

8. The documents before the Commission at its thirty-first session are listed in annex __ to the present report.

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